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CHDP Provider Information Notice No.: 01-07

TO: ALL CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP)
PROGRAM PROVIDERS

SUBJECT: EFFECTIVE DATE FOR HEALTH ASSESSMENT PROVIDERS TO
BEGIN USING THE NEW CHDP SERVICE CODES 23 AND 24

The purpose of this CHDP Provider Information Notice (PIN) is to correct information communicated in CHDP PIN 01-06 (Corrected) dated September 21, 2001. PIN 01-06 indicated that September 1, 2001, was the effective date for health assessment providers to begin using the new CHDP service codes 23 and 24 which relate to blood lead counseling and blood drawing. These new CHDP codes should be utilized for dates of service on or after October 1, 2001.

The new CHDP service codes were not activated in the claims payment system until October 17, 2001, which may have resulted in a denial of payment for service code 23 (service code 24 is a counseling and referral code only and is not payable). The following procedures should be followed if a denial for code 23 has been received:

For blood draws performed prior to the October 1, 2001, effective date, please resubmit a claim for this procedure by completing a partial screen PM 160 using CHDP service code 15 and include "December 25, 2000" as the date of the complete CHDP health assessment in the box labeled "Accompanies Prior PM 160 Dated." This will allow your reimbursement of the collection and handling fee only (please refer to the PM 160 Instruction Manual, Section 116).

For blood draw and counseling performed on or after October 1, 2001, please resubmit a claim for this procedure by completing a partial screen PM 160 using CHDP billing service code 23 and include "December 25, 2000" as the date of the complete CHDP health assessment in the box labeled "Accompanies Prior PM 160 Dated" (please refer to the PM 160 Instruction Manual, Section 116).

We apologize for any inconvenience this error and delay has caused. If you have any questions, please contact your local CHDP program.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maridee Gregory".

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